

Rwanda

INVESTMENT SUMMARY



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Overview: Current country program established in 2005. Focus is on grassroots organizations, cooperatives, and limited liability companies with strong backwards linkages. USADF currently manages a portfolio of **17 projects**, and **one Cooperative Agreement**. Total commitment is **\$3.4 million**.



Organization	Duration	Value	Summary
Gahaya Links Sarl 2182-RWA	2010-2015	\$245,600	Manufacturing (Decorative Home Accessories): Gahaya Links works with more than 4,000 predominantly women artisans in 50 cooperatives and associations throughout Rwanda. Gahaya Links helps these artisans develop a variety of new products and build relationships with international corporations. USADF assistance provides working capital as well as funds for the construction of a home textile production line facility, and acquire better equipment, such as new sewing machines and a van.
Ituze Cooperative 2120-RWA	2010-2015	\$164,000	Agro-Processing (Cassava): Ituze, a cassava farming cooperative with 205 members, is located in the Kamanyi District, Southern Province of Rwanda. Project funding is used to improve drying facilities, install a water harvesting system, and construct a waste disposal system, as well as provide training on improved agricultural practices, financial management, monitoring and evaluation, and food safety.
Coopérative des Theiculteurs de Nyaruguru (COOTHENYA) 2219-RWA	2010-2015	\$233,800	Agricultural Production (Tea): COOTHENYA is a tea growers' cooperative located southern Rwanda. The cooperative helps members grow tea, maintain their tea plantations, and collectively market green leaf tea. USADF assistance helps the group rehabilitate unused plantations, improve its infrastructure, establish a modern tea nursery, transport tea to market, improve its financial management capacity, as well as improve on the technical capacity of its members.
Coopérative Theicole de Ramba Gaseke et Gi-ciye (COTRAGAGI) 2195-RWA	2010-2015	\$242,300	Agricultural Production (Tea): COTRAGAGI is a tea growers' cooperative located in western Rwanda. Cooperative members are able to produce high quality green leaf tea and also have the potential to increase tea production acreage. USADF assistance is used to address production constraints included poor infrastructure, inadequate working capital, and inadequate transport in the supply chain.
COPRORIZ-Ntende Society, Ltd. 2403-RWA	2011-2014	\$236,300	Agricultural Production (Rice): CORPRORIZ-Ntende is a rice cooperative with 1,514 members in Gastsibo District. The group helps farmers collectively sell rice in an area where few other economic opportunities exist. Funds are used to expand their operations by providing working capital for seeds and fertilizer, a truck, as well as covering key staff members salaries and basic administrative costs.
Coopérative Dufashabacu 2413-RWA	2011-2014	\$138,500	Manufacturing (Cement Construction Materials): Dufashabacu is a cooperative that produces cement construction materials. A majority of the group's 63 members are women living with HIV/AIDS. Grant funds are used to buy a cement block-making machine, a computer and software, and furnish an office space.

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Coopérative Abanyamurava 2365-RWA	2011-2014	\$138,100	Agricultural Production (Mushrooms): Abanyamurava is a mushroom growers' cooperative in Musanze District in northern Rwanda. The cooperative produces inoculated substrate tubes that are sold to mushroom farmers who then sell fresh mushrooms. The cooperative will embark on a new product line of dried mushrooms. Funds are used to provide processing and drying equipment, training in modern drying techniques, and food safety, as well as hiring a marketing consultant and creating a marketing plan.
Agasaro Cooperative 2555-RWA	2011-2015	\$228,000	Agro Processing (Pineapple Juice): Agasaro is a pineapple growing cooperative with 700 active members that is increasing profits by producing juice. The group uses USADF grant funds to increase production through improved machinery, better transportation and laboratory equipment.
Koperative Y'Abahinzi B'Icyayi Ba Mudasomwa (KOBACYAMU) 2479-RWA	2011-2016	\$241,300	Agricultural Production (Tea): Kobacyamu is a tea cooperative with almost 5,000 members in the Nyamagabe District. Sixty percent of the members own less than .05 hectares of land. This project provides a nursery and seedlings to farmers. Improved transportation will help the factory produce higher quality products.
Coopérative des Agriculteurs de la Pomme de Terre (COAPOM) 2584-RWA	2012-2014	\$81,400	Agricultural Production (Potatoes): COAPOM is a potato growers' cooperative located in the Burera District in the northern part of Rwanda. This project helps build the capacity of the group by providing agricultural training and recruitment of technical staff to increase production with needed inputs and a storage facility for seed multiplication.
COOPRIKI-Cyunuzi 2605-RWA	2012-2016	\$244,600	Agricultural Production (Rice): COOPRIKI is a rice cooperative with 2,856 members in the Kirehe District of the Eastern Province. The government is building a new rice processing factory and has given the group 618 hectares of rehabilitated marshland for rice production. USADF funds help COOPRIKI expand production by contributing drying yards, transportation, and working capital for purchase funds.
Koperative Iharanira Amajyambere y'Icyaro (KIAI) 2649-RWA	2012-2016	\$152,400	Agricultural Production (Cassava): KIAI is a cassava cooperative in the Gatsibo District with 209 members of whom approximately half are women. The group currently has a factory but can expand and enhance its production through additional drying yard, drainage troughs, and improved grinder. The grant will also focus on capacity building and marketing strategies.
Koperative Twitezimbere Kagenge (KOTKA) 2801-RWA	2012-2016	\$181,900	Agricultural Production (Cassava) : KOTKA is a cassava cooperative in the Bugesera District with 521 members. The group is a part of the Millennium Village Project and now has a factory to process cassava flour. This grant focuses on expansion of production by increasing the number of drying yards, creating a purchase fund, and acquiring a truck for transportation.
Coopérative pour la Promotion de Pêche et des Activités de Vente d'Isambaza (COOPPAVI) 2847-RWA	2013-2017	\$143,900	Processing (Fish): COOPPAVI is a fishing cooperative of 43 members, a majority of whom are women, located in Rubavu District along Lake Kivu. The group catches and sells fresh isambanza fish but is now expanding to sell dried fish and fish flour. USADF funds will help COOPRIKI expand its production by contributing a factory, processing machines, transportation, and working capital for purchase funds.
Union des Coopératives des Apiculteurs de Gishwati (UNICOAPIGI) 2876-RWA	2013-2017	\$158,500	Processing (Honey): UNICOAPIGI is a union of honey producers with 625 members in Rubavu District. The Union has organized its members to focus on honey as a n income generating activity, not just a hobby anymore. The group is expanding its production of high quality honey. UNICOAPIGI will use this grant to build a factory, acquire transportation, and create a purchase fund.
Coopérative des Agriculteurs de Maïs de Nyanza (COAMANYA) 2904-RWA	2013-2017	\$186,823	Agro-processing (Maize): COAMANYA is a cooperative that produces and processes maize and maize flour. USADF funds will construct a new factory and purchase approved equipment. Once the factory is complete, COAMANYA would like to expand marshland cultivation to another 130 hectares which will directly contribute to an increase of income for over 2,000 persons and promote food security in the area.

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Cooperative pour la Promotion des Riziculteurs de Kahi (COOPRORIKA) 2956-RWA	2013-2017	\$193,678	Agro-processing (Rice): COOPRORIKA is a rice cooperative with 590 members in Nyagatare District. The group currently manages the irrigation systems, provides input for collective purchase of agricultural inputs, and primarily produces rice seed which is sold to the Rwanda Agricultural Board for re-sale. Funds will be used to expand their operations by providing a storage facilities and drying yards, working capital for seeds and fertilizer, as well as covering key staff members salaries and basic administrative costs.

